

# **Arizona's 2008 Adolescent Substance Abuse Conference**

## **Confronting Social Barriers in Adolescence**

### **Conference Speaker Information**



#### **Lee Anthony Underwood, Psy.D.**

Dr. Underwood is a Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) and Certified Sex Offender Treatment Provider (CSOTP) and serves as the Clinical Director of Behavioral Healthcare with the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections. Additionally, Dr. Underwood serves as a Senior Consultant with the National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice, and the National Center for Evidence-Based Practices in Delmar, New York, both affiliates of Policy Research Associates (PRA). Dr. Underwood is the Executive Director of USA Consulting Group, a business consultation firm. He has served as an Executive Clinical Officer for several large residential treatment and juvenile justice programs for adolescents with mental, substance use, disruptive behavioral and sexual disorders. Previously, he was the Director of Clinical Services for the Ohio Department of Youth Services (ODYS), juvenile corrections and was the Corporate Director of Clinical Operations for Education Health Centers of America. Dr. Underwood has held a number of policy oriented research, academic, clinical and consulting positions over his career with federal, state and private agencies for research, program design, development, implementation and evaluation of services. He has written exclusively on mental health and cultural competency needs of adolescents involved in the juvenile justice and mental health systems.

Dr. Underwood is affiliated with Regent University, School of Psychology and Counseling, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Eastern Virginia Medical School and Rutgers University Graduate School of Criminal Justice. Much of Dr. Underwood's research concerns serious mental health and antisocial behaviors in juvenile offenders; violent and chronic juvenile offenders; sexually aggressive youth; youths presenting psychiatric emergencies; co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders of adolescents; maltreating families; screening and assessment of co-occurring disorders, suicide and crisis response education, and model program design for youth involved in the juvenile justice system. He has developed theoretical rationale and intervention procedures for juvenile offenders with mental health and sexual disorders in community and correctional-based residential facilities. Dr. Underwood has authored a number of professional publications and reports.